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Mr. Lonnie Monaco
Northern Division
Naval Facilities Engineering
10 Industrial Highway, Mail Stop No. 82
Lester, PA 19113

Re: Public Comments

Dear Mr. Monaco:

I am writing to add my concerns to the public comments regarding the proposed cleanup plan for Operable Unit 10, covering Site 5 Soils and Sediments from Site B.

I have spoken with many residents of this community about the ongoing remediation of this site. They have expressed strong concerns with the overall strategy employed by the Navy in this effort. Their concerns broadly cover two issues. The residents want a thorough cleanup involving removal of contaminated soils, not just a capping of the contaminated areas. They also want a proper stormwater management system to be constructed to handle surface runoff. The runoff that occurred following the July storms is simply unacceptable.

I am not satisfied with the proposed "no action" remedy for Site 5 soils. In order to protect the health and safety of present and future residents, the contaminated soil should be removed permanently. I am also not satisfied with the proposed "remedy" for surface water and sediment impacted by Area B. A

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permanent stormwater management system, consisting of collection basins and drainage contouring, should be constructed.

The Navy ceased operations at this facility in September 1996, and still much of the contamination remains. The effort to reuse this property for civilian purposes is not being helped by this cleanup strategy, and I am not satisfied with this approach. The Navy can and should do better.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'RR' with a stylized flourish.

ROY REINARD
State Representative
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